

Shipping.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM SHIP CO.

NOTICE.

The "CHINA,"
Capt. GEO. E. LANE, will sail
from Hongkong for Yokohama
and San Francisco, on the 26th instant, at 3
p.m. precisely.

No Freight received after Noon of 24th
instant.

Passengers are requested to be on board
at 2 p.m. day of sailing.

W. F. BOWMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868. 256

FOR SAIGON:

The A. J. French Schooner
"HELENE,"
Master, will have
immediate despatch, and takes
Cargo at cheap Rates.

Apply to CARLOWITZ & CO.
Hongkong, February 14, 1868.

FOR LONDON.

The A. J. British Ship
"CHA-SZE,"
556 Tons Register, will load at
Whampoa.

For Freight, apply to MESSRS. DEACON &
CO., Canton, or to the Undersigned.

TURNER & CO.
Hongkong, February 15, 1868.

FOR SYDNEY.

The A. J. French Clipper-barque
"OCEAN,"
Captain Haines, will have
early despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & CO.
Hongkong, February 12, 1868.

FOR SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The British Ship
"JOSHUA BATHS,"
Capt. Sprenter, will have im-
mediate despatch for the above
Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & CO.
Hongkong, December 31, 1867.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The British Ship
"CHARLES,"
804 Tons Register, Low, Master,
having the greater part of her
Cargo engaged, will have quick
despatch above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BOSSMAN & CO.
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A. J. Amer. Clipper-ship
"JAMES GUTHRIE,"
930 Tons Register, JOHN, Master,
having the greater part of her
Cargo engaged, will have quick
despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BOSSMAN & CO.
Hongkong, January 15, 1868.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A. J. Hamburg Barque
"CELEST,"
Lorenzen, Master, 688 Tons
Register, will load at Whampoa
for the above port, and has room for a
limited amount of Cargo, for which apply to

OLYPHANT & CO.
Hongkong, January 6, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

The A. J. French Barque
"CASIMIR DELA VIGNE,"
Capt. Godreville, (daily ex-
pected from Yokohama), of 426 tons
register, or 10,000 piculs carrying capacity.
Apply to REYNVAAN BROTHERS & CO.
Hongkong, February 5, 1868.

NOTICES to Consignees.

P. M. S. S. Co's STEAMER, "CHINA,"
from SAN FRANCISCO AND
YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
named vessel are requested to send
in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo not called for within 24 hours after
arrival will not be landed and stored at risk and
expense of Consignees.

GEO. F. BOWMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868. 256

"FIERY CROSS" from LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
named vessel are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-
sel will be landed and stored at the risk and
expense of the Consignees by J. JARDINE, MATTHEWS & CO.
Hongkong, February 15, 1868. 216

"CARMARTHENSHIRE" from
LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
named vessel are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-
sel will be landed and stored at the risk and
expense of Consignees.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

"SUOMY" from GLASGOW.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
named vessel are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-
sel will be landed and stored at Consignees
risk and expense.

ARNEHOLD KARBERG & CO.
Hongkong, February 8, 1868."VIRGEN DEL CARMEN" from
MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
named vessel, will please send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and
take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-
sel will be landed and stored at the risk and
expense of Consignees.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

NOTICE.

I HAVE established myself at this port as
General Commission Merchant, under the
Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & CO.GIFFORD FORBES PARKER,
Salon, December 20, 1867. 266

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
WE have authorized Mr. CLAUS BUDDER
to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
A. D. MITCHELL in our Firm, ceased
on the 31st day of December, 1867.

A. FERGUSON & CO.

Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F.
BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the
Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company at this
Port.

S. L. PHELPS,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr A.
FERGUSON in our Firm ceased on the
1st day of November, 1866.

A. FERGUSON & CO.

Hongkong, December 16, 1867. de 16-68

NOTICE.
THE Business will be henceforth carried
on under the same Name by the Unde-
signed.

A. D. MITCHELL,
J. D. MEYERS, and
HENRY FISHERS.

Hongkong, December 16, 1867. de 16-68

NOTICE.
(For account of the concerned.)
About 100 piculs RATTANS.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868. 18fe

NOTICE.
URING the absence of Mr. J. H. LADD
from the Colony, Mr. T. CUSHING
LADD is authorized to sign our firm pro-
curation.

LADD & CO.

Hongkong, January 16, 1868. 18fe

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
T. KUHMANNACHER in our Firm ceased
on the 31st December, 1867.

DOUGLASS LAPRAIK & CO.

Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 29fe

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having disposed of their
Business as Shipwrights, &c. to Messrs
J. MCDONALD & CO., and being about to
leave the Colony, request all parties having
Claims against them to send them in
for payment on or before the 10th instant,
and all parties INDEBTED to the Firm are
requested to make immediate Payment.

ROSS THOMPSON & CO.

Spring Gardens, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
REFERRING to the above, we have beg-
to inform the Public that we have taken
over the Business of Messrs. Ross THOMPSON &
CO., and trust by strict attention to Busi-
ness to merit the patronage of the Com-
munity.

J. MCDONALD & CO.

Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 2mar

NOTICE.
M. Y. BUSINESS, as Ship and Insurance
Broker, Commission Agent, &c. hitherto
carried on by myself, will henceforward be
conducted under the style or Firm of J. S.
HOOK, Son & CO.

J. S. HOOK

Hongkong, September 23, 1867.

NOTICE.
M. SIDNEY DEACON is authorized to
sign our Firm pro-
curation from this date.

DEACON & CO.

Canton, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
MESSRS. H. P. M. WAGHTERS and H.
ALFRED ORTMAN, ceased to be Part-
ners in our Firm since the 31st Decem-
ber ultimo.

GAYMANS & CO.

Nagasaki, January 1, 1868. 1mar

NOTICE.
I HAVE established myself in business as
Merchant and Commission Agent, under
the style or Firm of KHAKEE MAHOMED &
CO.

KHAKEE MAHOMED KUTCHRA.

Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 1mar

NOTICE.
DURING the absence of Mr. SHERIFF
KUTCHRA from the Colony, Mr. KHAKEE
MAHOMED KUTCHRA is authorized to sign
our Firm pro-
curation.

SHERIFF & CO.

Hongkong, February 1, 1868. 1mar

NOTICE.
At the Meeting the Registrar will receive
the proofs of the Debts of the Creditors,
and the Creditors may choose an Assignee
or Assignees of the Bankrupt's Estate and
Effects.

All persons having in their possession any
of the Effects of the said Bankrupt must
deliver them to the said Official Assignee,
and all Debts due to the Bankrupt must be
paid to the said Official Assignee.

Hongkong, February 15, 1868. 26fe

NOTICE.
I NOTICE is hereby given, that at any
time before final Judgment in this action,
the said ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS, or any persons on behalf
of the Plaintiff, will be entitled to
recover the sum of Eight thousand five
hundred and sixty-eight Dollars and three
cents, for money received by the said
ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL,
F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL STURGIS
for the use of the said Plaintiff.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

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HUBBELL, F. B. HILDEBOTH, and RUSSELL
STURGIS.

Also, for the use of the said Plaintiff.

ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W

LEARNED.

San Francisco.

Tok.

Sydney.

Bamboo.

Saigon.

ING REPORT.

Whaler *Midas*, from Ho-

land a light gale in the China

N.E., with heavy squalls;

on her passage across the

Sea. 3 Sperm Whales since

the steamer *China*, cleared from

Canton, bound for

Crown Sugar.

Sugar Candy.

White Lead.

Yellow do.

Cotton.

Paper.

Indigo.

Sundries.

Fiduciary cleared from

New York.

Cotton.

Cassia.

Ware.

Received.

Selling.

Argos passed at the Can-

on the 12th, 13th, and

loading for Tientin.

Crown Sugar.

Sugar Candy.

Cotton Pulp.

Sundries.

Cotton for Ningpo.

do.

Yellow Lead.

White do.

Sundries.

Service, loading for Han-

Indigo.

Sundries.

Sports and Exports passed

over steamer office from 1st

Kinsan and Kuklung,

Cotton.

Lead.

Quicksilver.

Mat Bags.

Sundries.

Kinsan and Kuklung to

Cotton Silk.

Silk.

Wild Silk (Punjam).

Cotton.

Sugar Candy.

Tea.

Sundries.

NOTIFICATIONS.

will close at 12.30

of the Race Days.

SAN FRANCISCO &

States of AMERICA

Mail Steamship Compa-

ny "CHINA," at 2 P.M.

the 25th instant.

intended to be for-

this opportunity must be

per "CHINA,"

be prepaid as follows:

A LETTER

8 cents.

and not ex-

16 "

and not ex-

24 "

and not ex-

32 "

and not ex-

8 "

and not ex-

60 "

and not ex-

20.60 per cent

23.45

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4.65

7

res, 40 per Share.

Old, 25 per cent pm.

New, 15 per cent pm.

Old, 12½ per cent pm.

New, 2

27½ per cent pm.

temperature.

7th February, 1868.

9 a.m. 2 p.m.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Our columns are open to all who wish to address the public on legitimate grounds, but we do not ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents. All communications addressed to this paper must be accompanied by the name of the sender, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEB. 17, 1868.

THE VERANDAH.

It is a well known law, both of nature and artificial society, that "great evils cure themselves," and as the Verandah question threatens to become a great nuisance to a large section of the community, we may hope that it will provoke its own cure. Quite apart from the question of "encroachment," however, is the singular interpretation placed upon the ordinance by the zealous official whose acts may be accurately termed monuments of misplaced energy. The Section of the Criminal Sessions commence at ten o'clock to-morrow morning, but will, we believe, be adjourned immediately thereafter. No business will be done in any Crown land shall be deemed a nuisance, was framed evidently enough to prohibit their erection in unsuitable localities. But the existence of the verandah once permitted, it becomes a curious psychological study as to the means adopted to get the official mind into a proper state to construe the ordinance in a way which interferes with the internal arrangements of Verandahs, while leaving the Verandahs themselves untouched. It is very much as if there were a law prohibiting the passage of wagons on certain roads, and a recalcitrant wagon-driver were summoned for carrying a stool fitted into the wagon over the road in question. The present procedure is an outrage upon every rule of common sense, to say nothing of mathematics, which enunciate that the greater includes the less. The only possible application of this axiom is to consider the Surveyor General in the light of an individual usually honored with an uncomplimentary sobriquet, and to note that his foolish procedure involves others in a similar act. Had the occupants of the obnoxious verandahs been guilty of administering amateur shaver-baths of clean or dirty water to the passers-by, the case would have been clear enough under the clause which rightly forbids any one to make a verandah a source of annoyance or obstruction to the public. But on the contrary, no such complaint was lodged against the occupiers of the houses. If a complaint of this nature can be substantiated, deal with the offender as speedily as you like. If the verandah is in itself an illegal erection, put up in defiance of well known regulations and understood to be so put up, at the owner's risk of being called to account, compel its removal, and prohibit similar offences in future. But let the authorities act with some little common sense. Minute as may be the modicum of this article usually at the Surveyor General's disposal, he could surely secure a small supply for matters affecting the public comfort. Were it merely to save a department from becoming ridiculous, the Governor might surely appoint a sort of official wet-nurse upon whose brains cheques for so much compensation, sense could be drawn as occasion required.

Assuming however the legal right of the Surveyor General to summon those who put up "obstructions" in their verandahs, we are somewhat curious to know whether it is intended to follow up the advantage now gained and fine a few of the Chinese residents in Queen's Road West, in the sum of 5s. likewise. If the erection of a partition in a Wyndham Street verandah be assessed at that rate, at what rate will some of the really dangerous erections amongst the native houses be assessed? Assuming twice the carelessness as regards fire on the part of Chinese as is exhibited by Europeans, will the penalty be raised? Under ordinary circumstances we should foretell "hard times" for some of our Chinese fellow colonists. But upon consideration we incline to think that since for the gods is not sance for the gander in the Surveyor General's department, and that while the Western portion of the town may be endangered *ad libitum* the centre must be preserved above suspicion. The public may at least be grateful that the victim selected is a legal gentleman who will probably do his best, by appeal, to put a stop to vexatious and needless proceedings, even if the eventual result is a stricter enforcement of the law passed at a long period of Hongkong's annals.

NEPAL.

The Indian papers last to hand give us some further particulars of the doings in Nepal, whence, as we have already noted, Jung Bahadur has announced his intention of sending an expedition to Peking to bring the Chinese Government to a sense of the courtesy due to an independent state such as Nepal. The *Bombay Gazette* states that the hostile preparations of the Nepalese against the Thibetans have been suspended for the present. The *Scorpio* embassy to Peking is at a place called Ta-tsin Ieo, where it awaits the result of a reference to the Chinese Emperor as to its advance to Peking or return to Kathmando. It is somewhat singular that no news of these movements has been received from Peking, the government of which appears to treat the

threats of Nepal with the utmost indifference. Should they persist in their determination to treat the Nepalese as tributaries, and the latter attempt to carry out their threat of a hostile visit to Oi-hi, it is probable that some fresh complications will occur about the time of the revision of this treaty. Whether favourable or otherwise to foreign views it may be difficult to say, but if left to themselves the Chinese will probably find themselves in an awkward position. Will Great Britain or other countries interfere? of course the question which first arises—question which time only can solve. We have most assuredly not guaranteed the integrity of the Chinese empire, but may yet find it convenient to do so, in company with other powers.

Although the matter attracts but little attention in China, it possesses elements of mischief which may intimately affect the future of China. We must await the result of pending negotiations before pronouncing too confidently on the needlessness of alarm.

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completely—her every tone, her every look, being faithfully reproduced in *Home Sweet Home*. We hear that Mr. Massett "drifts" hither shortly to Hongkong, where and in his future wandering, we wish him every success, and crowded houses."

There are many singular decisions given from the Magisterial Bench, which often escape the eye of the most attentive reader of the daily journals; and which are no sooner noted than forgotten. Some weeks ago a soldier of "bad" character was brought up on a charge of assault with violence on a policeman, and strong proofs of drunkenness were brought forward to add if possible to the magnitude of the offence. After hearing several witnesses, each of whom gave an additional colouring to the crime, the prisoner was sentenced to pay a fine of 50 cents, or in default of payment, to undergo a punishment with hard labour for a period of one day! This fine was paid, and the matter ended. This morning affairs undergo an entire change. A young soldier, or in other words, a mere boy, is brought up for striking an impudent Chinaman. His character is called for, and pronounced hitherto "good." He is told that he may think his stars for that, and is sentenced to 3 weeks' imprisonment without the option of paying a fine. Strict justice may not be invariably obtainable, from cause beyond human control, but it is a pity that there is not some recognized code by which minor offences such as the above could be dealt with.

THE RACE CUPS.

The race "cups" this year are unusually handsome, and the public have had a most favorable opportunity of seeing them to advantage, they having been on view until this evening at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s. The most tasteful of the set is, in our opinion, the *Fakee Cup*—we suppose the word "cup" must be used generically in the sense of prize—which consists of a handsome silver flower or fruit stand on a silver gilt base, with four smaller pieces to accompany it. Next, in the order of beauty, comes the *Parkee Cup*, which consists of two beautifully chased fruit stands of similar workmanship, with frosted silver figures. The *Lutinian Cup*, the *Steward Cup*, and *Fochow Plate* consists of goblets and cups in the ordinary form, but are good specimens of the goldsmith's art. The "Northern Plate" is a very handsome silver-gilt claret jug with goblets, and will, we think, rank third in general estimation. It is much to be wished that in place of one massive lump of silver such as is generally designed for the *Challong Cup*, the *Race Committee* would decide upon a set after the style of the *Parkee* or *Fakee* prizes. The same expense as is now incurred for the *Fakee Cup*—we suppose the word "cup" must be used generically in the sense of prize—which consists of a handsome silver flower or fruit stand on a silver gilt base, with four smaller pieces to accompany it. Next, in the order of beauty, comes the *Parkee Cup*, which consists of two beautifully chased fruit stands of similar workmanship, with frosted silver figures. The *Lutinian Cup*, the *Steward Cup*, and *Fochow Plate* consists of goblets and cups in the ordinary form, but are good specimens of the goldsmith's art. The "Northern Plate" is a very handsome silver-gilt claret jug with goblets, and will, we think, rank third in general estimation. It is much to be wished that in place of one massive lump of silver such as is generally designed for the *Challong Cup*, the *Race Committee* would decide upon a set after the style of the *Parkee* or *Fakee* prizes. The same expense as is now incurred for the *Fakee Cup*—we suppose the word "cup" must be used generically in the sense of prize—which consists of a handsome silver flower or fruit stand on a silver gilt base, with four smaller pieces to accompany it. Next, in the order of beauty, comes the *Parkee Cup*, which consists of two beautifully chased fruit stands of similar workmanship, with frosted silver figures. The *Lutinian Cup*, the *Steward Cup*, and *Fochow Plate* consists of goblets and cups in the ordinary form, but are good specimens of the goldsmith's art. The "Northern Plate" is a very handsome silver-gilt claret jug with goblets, and will, we think, rank third in general estimation. It is much to be wished that in place of one massive lump of silver such as is generally designed for the *Challong Cup*, the *Race Committee* would decide upon a set after the style of the *Parkee* or *Fakee* prizes. The same expense as is now incurred for the *Fakee Cup*—we suppose the word "cup" must be used generically in the sense of prize—which consists of a handsome silver flower or fruit stand on a silver gilt base, with four smaller pieces to accompany it. Next, in the order of beauty, comes the *Parkee Cup*, which consists of two beautifully chased fruit stands of similar workmanship, with frosted silver figures. The *Lutinian Cup*, the *Steward*

Post-Office Notifications.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:
For SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per "JOSHUA BATES," at 11 A.M.,
To-morrow, the 18th instant.
For SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CAL-
CUTTA.—
Per "OLAN ALPINE," on Saturday,
the 22nd instant, at 1 P.M.
For SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CAL-
CUTTA.—
Per "LIGHTNING," at 1 P.M., on Sa-
turday, the 22nd instant.

MAILS BY THE "MALACCA."—
The Contract Packet "MALACCA" will be
dispatched with the usual Mails for
Europe, &c., on WEDNESDAY, the
20th inst., at 7 A.M., and the Post Office
will be open for the reception of Ord-
inary Letters, Letters for Registration,
Newspapers, Books, &c., until 9 A.M.,
on the 20th inst.; Letters, &c., may be
posted in the night box from 9 P.M. on
the 20th inst. until 5 A.M. on the fol-
lowing morning.

All Letters posted between 5 and 6 A.M. on
the 20th inst. will be chargeable in
addition to the usual postage, with a
Late Fee of 18 cents.

The latest time for posting Letters at this
Office is 6 A.M. and for Newspapers,
Books, or Patterns 5 A.M. on the 26th
inst.

Further, late letters (but Letters only) ad-
dressed to the United Kingdom via
Marseille or to Singapore, may be
posted on board the Packet from 6.30
to 6.60 A.M. on payment of a late fee
of 48 cents each, in addition to the
postage, after which no Letters can be
received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence
of Box Holders will be received at the
window set apart for the purpose, on
the East Side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which pre-
payment is compulsory must be prepaid
in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Inadequately-stamped Letters addressed to
the United Kingdom will be sent on,
charged with a fine of One Shilling in
addition to the postage.

Letters posted after 5 A.M. on the 26th inst.
will not be forwarded for the "Late
Fee" as well as the postage is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped
addressed to places to which they can-
not be forwarded unpaid, will be open-
ed and returned to the writers as early
as possible, but no guarantee can be
given that such Letters, if posted after
9 P.M. on the 26th inst., will be return-
ed until after the mail is closed.

Postage Stamps should be placed on the
upper right-hand corner of the corre-
spondence, except in cases where they
may be used in payment of "Late Fees,"
when the stamp or Stamps represent-
ing the late fee should be placed on the
lower left-hand corner.

All transactions in fractional parts of a
Dollar will be conducted in the Coins pre-
scribed by Ordinance 1, of 1864, and
the Proclamation of the 22nd January,
1864, and no other Coins, but those
therein specified will either be received
or given in change as fractional parts
of a Dollar.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made
in the current Dollars of the Colony or
Bank Notes.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
Hongkong, February 12, 1868.

THE subjoined Transcript of a Telegram
from the General Post Office in Lon-
don, which was received by the Undersigned
this day, is published for general informa-
tion.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
General Post Office,
Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1868.

[COPY.]

From London To Point de Galle,
Post-master Bayley.

Advise Australian Post-masters and Com-
pany Agents that a more favorable ar-
rangement of dates for Australian Mail than
that by time table has been made. Onward
(Outward) Mail for China and Australia
will leave seven days later (later) than
dates in time table, homeward Australian
Mails will leave on (one) day earlier than
in time table. First outward Mails to Australia
on the new plan will leave Southampton
twenty first of March; 1st homeward Mail
from Australia under new plan will leave
Sydney twenty-eighth of March. Stay of
vessel at Ceylon will be avoided. Intervals
for replies in Australia and London will be
much shortened. Advise also Bombay, Cal-
cutta and China. Particulars by to-day's
Mail.

10. 1 P.M.
13. 1.50.
(Signed) THOS. AUSTIN,
In Charge
Tel. Office,
Galle, 13th January, 1868.
True Copy
(Signed) F. BAYLEY,
Agent.

Intimations.

NOTICE.—
OUR Shipchandlery Business has now
been removed to Praya, No. 30 and
81, the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs
PETERSEN BROTHERS & CO., Successors to
Messrs JOHN STUBBS & CO.
Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

NOTICE.—
THE OFFICES of Messrs AUGUSTINE
BAYLEY & CO. have this day been
removed to their old Premises adjoining
the Cathedral.

Hongkong, December 28, 1867.

REMOVAL.—
THE Undersigned have this day removed
their STORE from Praya East to
the PREMISES No. 13, Queen's Road
Central, formerly occupied by the CENTRAL
BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.

MACEWEN & CO.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1867.

THE OFFICE of the Undersigned is
REMOVED to GAGE STREET, Corner
of Lyndhurst Terrace.

REYNVAAN BROTHERS & CO.
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

Intimations.

Published weekly.—Subscription (Ex-
clusive of postage) Rs. 12 per annum; payable
in advance.

SUPREME COURT
AND CONSULAR GAZETTE,
AND
LAW REPORTER FOR THE SUPREME AND
PROVINCIAL COURTS OF CHINA.

THE Gazette is a General Weekly New-
paper, containing Officially Revised Reports
of Cases heard at the Supreme and Consular
Courts, Police Cases, and Proceedings in
Bankruptcy; Original Articles; Notes and
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Meetings; News of the Week; Commercial
Summary, &c., &c.

Advertisements will be charged Rs. 1
per 10 lines, for the first insertion, and 50
per 10 lines, for each subsequent inser-
tion.

Shanghai, January, 1868.

GEORGE GLASSE,
(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO
KINGSFORD & CO., PICCADILLY,
LONDON, AND 28, PLACE
VENDOME, PARIS)

ENGLISH AND FOREIGN
CHEMIST
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS
SUPPLIED & REPAIRED.
Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

LILINGWORTH & CO., having estab-
lished themselves at West Point, next
below the Hongkong and China Cas Co.,
are prepared to do all kinds of
ENGINE AND BOILER WORK ;
Also,
SHIPSMITH'S WORK

of any description.
They have also erected a FOUNDRY on
the Premises, and are prepared to execute
all kinds of
IRON AND BRASS CASTINGS.

And hope that by a strict attention to
business and moderate charges, to merit a
share of the public patronage.

Hongkong, September 21, 1866.

MR. WILLIAM GASKELL,
ATTORNEY, SOLICITOR, PROCTOR
AND NOTARY PUBLIO
REMOVED TO NO. 2, CLUB CHAMBERS
1, Aguilar Street.

Opposite Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Hongkong, August 28, 1866.

TO HOUSE-KEEPERS & SHIP
MASTERS.

PATERSON & HANDLEY,
House and Ship Plumbers, Copper
and Zinc Workers, and Gas Fitters,
16, Queen's Road, West, and
Acheson's Yard, Praya West.
Hongkong, November 4, 1867.

BOWRA & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS, SHIP CHANDLERS, SAIL-
MAKERS, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

Water Boats in constant readiness to supply
Ships with Pure Fresh Water.

Sails made and repaired on the Premises.

Wm. T. COLEMAN & CO.,
SHIPPING & COMMISSION
MERCHANTS,
NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO,
117, Front St., California & Front Sts.

BROWN, JONES & CO.,
UNDETAKERS.

MONUMENTS and HEAD-STONES
ERECTED, in the Best Style.

LEAD and METALLIC COFFINS, on the
Shortest Notice.

Apply to C. M. BROWNE,
Hollywood Road, Corner of Aberdeen St.

W. M. DOLAN,
SAFETY MAKER, &c.
Duddell Street,
(Opposite French Consulate.)
Hongkong, April 2, 1866.

WANTED by a YOUNG MAN, a situa-
tion as Clerk or Book-keeper. A
nominal salary would be accepted; imme-
diate employment being a greater object.
Highest references can be given.
Address "R." China Mail Office,
Hongkong, December 27, 1867.

WANTED
BY A Gentleman just arrived, a Situation
as BOOK-KEEPER and ACCOUNT-
ANT. Good shorthand writer; thoroughly
understands Shipping and Insurance. Ad-
dress "H. B." Office of this paper.
Hongkong, January 18, 1868.

Hongkong, February 1, 1867.

Hongkong Lightering and
Storage Co.

THE above Company is now prepared to
LIND or SHIP Cargo in first class
Lighters, and to take the entire discharge of
Ship by Contract. Also to STORE
Goods in first class Granite Godowns at
moderate Rates.

J. S. HOOK, SON & CO.,
Managers.

Hongkong, December 17, 1867.

NOTICE.—

OUR Shipchandlery Business has now
been removed to Praya, No. 30 and
81, the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs
PETERSEN BROTHERS & CO., Successors to
Messrs JOHN STUBBS & CO.

Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

NOTICE.—

THE OFFICES of the Undersigned is
REMOVED to GAGE STREET, Corner
of Lyndhurst Terrace.

REYNVAAN BROTHERS & CO.
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

NOTICE.—

VIEW OF HONGKONG.—
M. R. BAPTISTA begs to inform the Re-
sidents of Hongkong that he will be
prepared to receive orders for COLOURING
the Lithographic View of Hongkong issued
with the "Oriental China Mail" of 15th No-
vember last.

Washed in..... \$6.
Shaded in..... \$8.
A Specimen of the Full Coloured Litho-
graph can be seen at this Office.
Hongkong, November 7, 1867.

ALEX. BOYER has engaged the services of
the M. R. BAPTISTA to inform the Residents of
Hongkong that he will be prepared to receive
orders for DRESS MAKING, MILLINERY, &c.

Hongkong, October 14, 1867.

Intimations.

THE Undersigned His Prussian Majesty's
Charge d'Affaires in Japan, hereby
informs the Masters of Merchant Vessels
belonging to the North German Confederation
that from and after the day on which
these ships will hoist the Flag of the North
German Confederation, they will be admitted
to the ports in Japan open to foreign
trade under the same privileges and rights
as granted to the Merchant Vessels of
Prussia, by the Treaty concluded between
Prussia and Japan on the 24th day of Jan-
uary, 1861.

VON BRANDT,
Osaka, January 28, 1868. 11mar

THE Members of the late Hongkong Vo-
lunteer Corps are hereby requested to take
notice that without delay to the Undersigned
the KIPLIDS they have been allowed to retain
pending sanction for their purchase,
the same not having been allowed.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Year
ending 31st December last, at the rate
of Twelve per cent. per annum, say \$7.50
per paid-up Share, of \$25, and \$1.50 per
Share on which \$25 have been paid, is payable
on and after MONDAY, the 17th inst., at
the Offices of the Corporation, Wardley
House, Queen's Road, where Shareholders
are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 14, 1868.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

NOTICE.

THE notice is hereby given that the REGIS-
TERS of SHARES of the Corpora-
tion will be CLOSED from the 1st to the
15th day of February next (both days includ-
ed), during which period no transfer of
Shares can be registered.

VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 21, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE
COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Agency
of this Company has been opened in
Macao, under the care of Messrs Margeeson
& Co., and that Captain Carroll has been
appointed Surveyor for the Company at
that Port.

By order of the Court of Directors,
JOHN S. MAICKINTOSH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 28, 1867.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Dividend
at the rate of 5 per cent. declared in
accordance with a resolution passed at the
Annual General Meeting of Shareholders
held at the Head Office, London, on the 5th
September last, will be payable at the office
of the Company, West Point, on and after
the 30th November instant.

A. NEWTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 26, 1867. 26fe

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON.

M. R. N. J. EDE having resigned the Acting
Secretaryship of the Union Insurance
Society of Canton, Mr. C. D. WILLIAMS is
this day appointed Secretary, and is autho-
rized to sign Policies of Insurance on behalf
of the Society.

All orders for Admission to Hospital must be
coupons by some responsible Person or
Persons resident in the Colony.

Patients are also admitted on Deposits at
the following rates, renewable one day
previous to the amount deposited having
been expended:—

1st Class..... \$6.
2nd "..... \$4.
3rd "..... \$2.
By order,

W. PATERSON,
Treasurer.

Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

TERMS OF ADMISSION.—

These Charges are inclusive of all Medicines
and Attendants, but exclusive of
Wines or Articles not in the recognised
Dictionary.

All other Medicines may be used at the
discretion of the Doctor.